# CHAPTER 3 BY-LAWS

### **RESOLUTION NO: 88-3**

## RESOLUTION OF AMENDMENT AND REVISION OF THE BY-LAWS OF

#### THE KARUK TRIBE HOUSING AUTHORITY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority: That the By-Laws which were adopted pursuant to Resolution No: 85-R-2 as of July 10, 1985, be hereby amended and revised to read as follows:

# BY-LAWS OF THE KARUK TRIBE HOUSING AUTHORITY

#### ARTICLE I - THE AUTHORITY

- **SECTION 1** Name of Authority: The name of the Authority shall be the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority.
- **SECTION 2** <u>Seal of Authority</u>: The seal of the Authority shall be in the form of a circle and shall bear the name of the Authority and the year of its organization.
- **SECTION 3** Office of Authority: The office of the Authority shall be at such place as the Karuk Tribe's Tribal Council designates.

### **ARTICLE II - OFFICERS**

- **SECTION 1** Officers: The officers of the Authority shall be a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and a Treasurer.
- SECTION 2 Chairperson: The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Commissioners (herein called B.O.C.). The Chairperson shall sign all contracts, deeds and other instruments made by the Authority in accordance with the KTHA procurement policy. In the absence of the Chairperson, Executive Officer succession shall dictate the signatory. At each meeting, the Chairperson or his/her designee shall submit such recommendations and information as he may consider proper concerning the business, affairs and

policies of the Authority. The Chairperson shall be the Vice-Chairperson of the Tribal Council and shall supervise the KTHA Executive Director.

- **SECTION 3** <u>Vice-Chairperson</u>: The Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson in the absence or incapacity of the Chairperson; and in case of the resignation or death of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall perform the Chairperson's duties until such time as a new Chairperson is appointed.
- **SECTION 4** <u>Secretary</u>: The Secretary shall assume responsibility for, and may delegate to the staff any or all of the following functions:
  - a) Being Secretary of meetings of the B.O.C.;
  - b) Record all votes;
  - c) Prepare and keep meeting minutes;
  - d) All duties incident to the office of Secretary.

In the absence of both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, the Secretary shall preside.

- **SECTION 5** <u>Treasurer</u>: The Treasurer shall assume responsibility for and may delegate to the staff any or all of the following functions:
  - a) Render periodic account of the office;
  - b) Provide financial information and reports as required;
  - c) All duties incident to the office of Treasurer;
  - d) Shall submit quarterly financial report to the Karuk Tribe of California's Tribal Council.
- **SECTION 6** Members At Large: Members at Large shall attend all regular and special meetings of the Board of Commissioners.
- **SECTION 7** Executive Director: The Executive Director serves as the decision making authority requisite in managing the day-to-day operations of the Authority. The Executive Director is responsible for the overall operations of the Authority to include the hiring and firing

- of staff. The Executive Director may be given signatory authority for programmatic agreements and other administrative documents. The Executive Director shall be supervised by the BOC Chairperson.
- **SECTION 8** Additional Duties: The officers of the Authority shall perform such other duties and functions as may from time to time be required by the B.O.C., the By-Laws, or the Policies of the Authority.
- **SECTION 9** <u>Election</u>: The Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and the Treasurer shall be elected by the B.O.C. from among the B.O.C. Members and shall hold office for four years. There will be three members at large that also serve four year terms.
- **SECTION 10**<u>Vacancies</u>: Should the offices of Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, or the Treasurer become vacant, the B.O.C. shall elect a successor from its membership at the next regular meeting, and such election shall be for the un-expired term of said office.
- **SECTION 11**<u>Nepotism:</u> Appointments will be in compliance with Tribal policies on nepotism.
- **SECTION 12**<u>Drug Free Workplace:</u> Consistent with employment policies of the Karuk Tribe, all B.O.C. members shall be required to submit to preappointment drug testing.

#### ARTICLE III - MEETINGS

- **SECTION 1 A)** Annual Planning Meeting: There will be an annual meeting with the Board of Commissioners and the Tribal Council to develop the One year Indian Housing Plan during the first quarter of the calendar year.
  - **B)** Quarterly Meetings: In addition to the Annual meeting of the Tribal Council and the KTHA B.O.C., there will be four meetings scheduled to take place each year.
- **SECTION 2** Regular Meetings: Monthly meetings shall be held on the first and third Monday of each month at 10:00 A.M. at the office of the Authority. In the event that such regular date is inappropriate, for

any reason, an alternate date and time may be set by mutual agreement of a quorum of the B.O.C. Members. Meetings will rotate (weather permitting) between the three KTHA communities.

- **SECTION 3** Emergency Meetings: The Chairperson may, when it is deemed expedient and shall upon the request of three members of the B.O.C., call a Special Meeting of the B.O.C. for the purpose of transacting any business designated in the call. Notice must be given to each member of the B.O.C. at least 24 hours prior to the time of such Special Meeting. At such Special Meeting no business shall be considered other than as designated in the call, and no actions may be taken by a vote of less than a majority of such full B.O.C. (i.e., notwithstanding the existence of any vacancies).
- SECTION 4 Quorum: The powers of the Authority shall be vested in the B.O.C. Members thereof in office. A quorum shall consist of no less than Fifty-One percent of B.O.C. Members for the purpose of conducting its business and exercising its powers and all other purposes. Upon loss of quorum meeting must be adjourned and no further business conducted until quorum is reestablished. When a quorum has been established, no B.O.C. action shall be taken by a vote of less than 51% of such full B.O.C. (i.e., notwithstanding the existence of any vacancies).
- **SECTION 5** Order of Business: The Business of the B.O.C. shall be conducted in accordance with Tribal law.
- **SECTION 6** Manner of Voting: The voting in all questions coming before the B.O.C. shall be by consensus or majority and the vote shall be recorded. In the case of elections the vote may be by ballot.

#### **ARTICLE IV - AMENDMENTS**

SECTION 1 Amendments to By-Laws: The By-Laws of the Authority shall be amended only with the approval of a least fifty-one percent of the B.O.C. Members at any B.O.C. meeting provided that at least seven days written notice thereof has been previously given to all B.O.C. Members. By-laws shall be reviewed and approved by the Karuk Tribal Council before they go into effect. All policies shall be reviewed and approved by Karuk Tribe Housing Authority Board of Commissioners before they go into effect.

The foregoing By-Laws have been reviewed in their entirety and have hereby been adopted in accordance with the proper procedure.

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing bylaws were duly considered by the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners at a properly called meeting, at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of in favor, opposed, and abstaining.

Revised this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2010

Florrine Super, Secretary Karuk Tribal Council

Revised this 20th Day of January, 2010

Charlene Naef, Secretary Board of Commissioners